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GUYS...
MY, UH... SUIT'S NOT... RESPONDING.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO--
MOW 'EM DOWN!
BRAKKABRAKKABRAKKA
BUDDA BUDDA
BLAM
BLAM
OKAY... I CAN DO THIS.
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
I'VE GOT TRAINING.
I CAN DO THIS...
BRAKKABRAKKABRAKKA
DON'T LET UP!
BUDDA
BUDDA
BUDDA

ISN'T NOW ABOUT THE TIME TO BRING OUT THE SPACE SUIT?!
I SAID IT'S NOT WORKING!
BADOOM
THIS IS A GOD DAMN MESS!
GOD DAMN!
AGENT RODUS TO BASE.
COME IN.
WE'RE SURROUNDED! UNDER HEAVY GUNFIRE! THEY KNEW WE WERE COMING!

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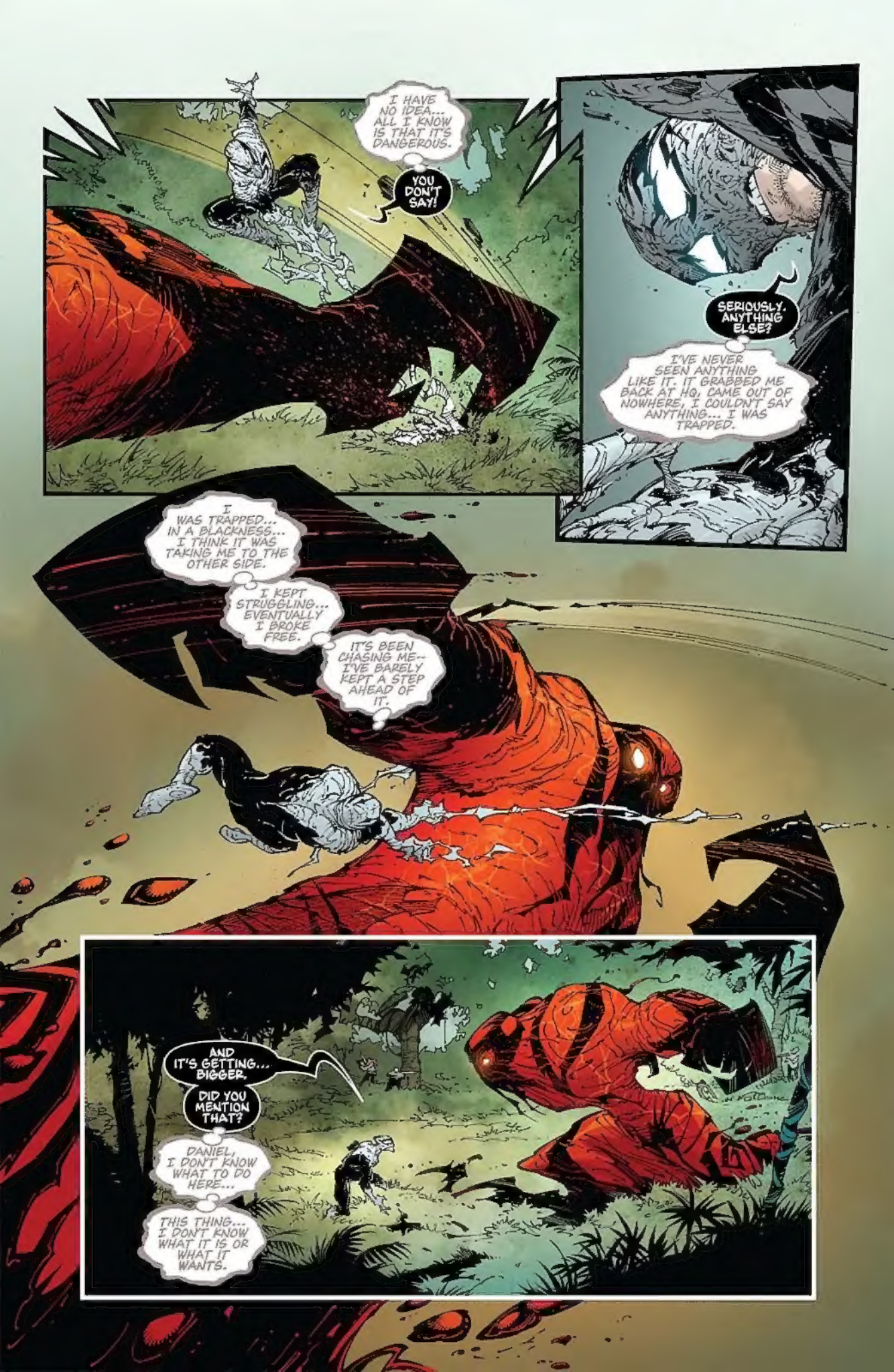
WHAT THE HELL IS THAT?!

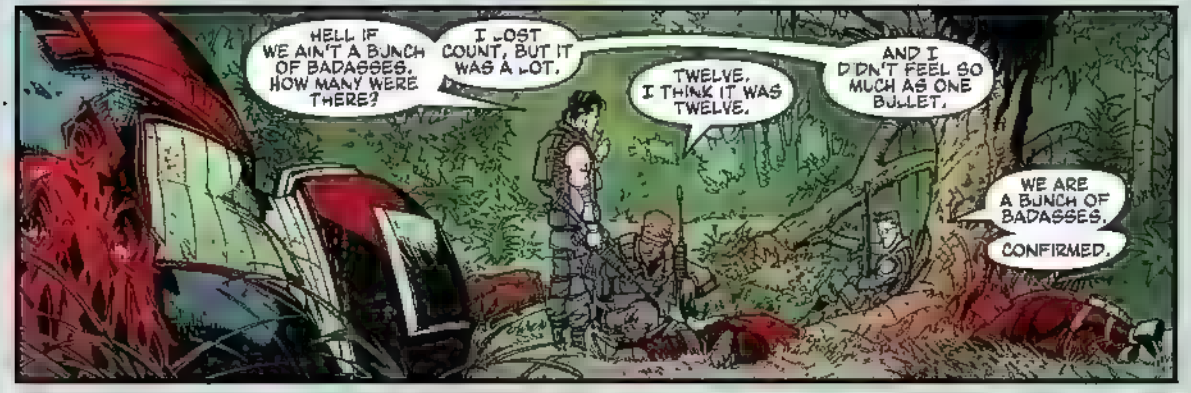

I HAVE NO IDEA... ALL I KNOW IS THAT IT'S DANGEROUS.
YOU DON'T SAY!
SERIOUSLY. ANYTHING ELSE?
I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT. IT GRABBED ME BACK AT HQ, CAME OUT OF NOWHERE, I COULDN'T SAY ANYTHING... I WAS TRAPPED.
I WAS TRAPPED... IN A BLACKNESS... I THINK IT WAS TAKING ME TO THE OTHER SIDE.
I KEPT STRUGGLING... EVENTUALLY I BROKE FREE.
IT'S BEEN CHASING ME-- I'VE BARELY KEPT A STEP AHEAD OF IT.
AND IT'S GETTING... BIGGER.
DID YOU MENTION THAT?
DANIEL, I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO HERE...
THIS THING... I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS OR WHAT IT WANTS.

AGENT KILGORE?
DANIEL?
WHAT IN--?
BRAKKA
BRAKKA
BRAKKA
LET'S TRY NOT TO DWELL ON HOW TERRIFYING THIS THING IS.
AND IT DOESN'T TALK? I THINK IT WOULD HELP IF IT TALKED.
HASN'T SAID A THING YET THAT I'VE HEARD.
IT JUST-- TOOK ME. THIS IS SOMETHING SUPERNATURAL, DANIEL. I DON'T KNOW HOW TO FIGHT THIS.

OH, GOD--
KURT?
SHRIPP
KURT?
I CAN'T FEEL--
SHRIKK
HEY WAIT-- UGH--
I'M NOT-- I THOUGHT IT STABBED--
KURT?

BRAKKABRAKKA
ANY CLUE WHAT THAT CRAZY SON OF A BITCH IS DOING?
IS HE CHEERING US ON?
IT'S TRYING TO TAKE YOU AGAIN--
--ISN'T IT?
CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN AGAIN--
WON'T LET--

SKABLORKK
HUH.
I THINK IT JUST WANTED ME... I THINK HAVING YOU IN THE MIX.. BROKE IT.


HELL IF WE AIN'T A BUNCH OF BADASSES. HOW MANY WERE THERE?
I LOST COUNT, BUT IT WAS A LOT.
TWELVE. I THINK IT WAS TWELVE.
AND I DIDN'T FEEL SO MUCH AS ONE BULLET.
WE ARE A BUNCH OF BADASSES.
CONFIRMED.

I'M SORRY, AGENT PARK, ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT THE SUIT WAS ACTING UP... I... CAN'T REALLY EXPLAIN FURTHER THAN THAT.
I DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT TO SAY.

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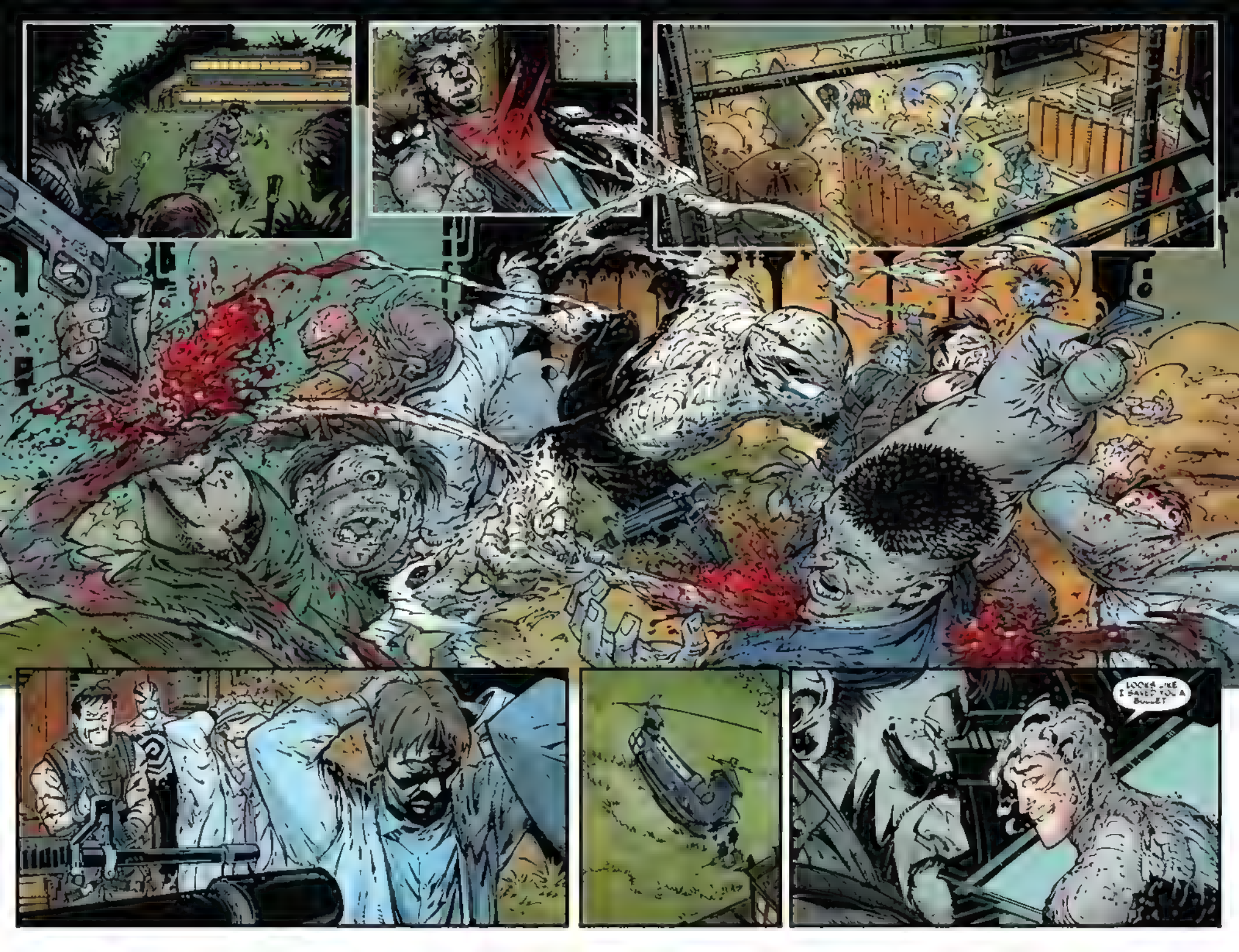
LOOKS LIKE I SAVED YOU A BULLET

WELCOME BACK, AGENT KILGORE! MY MOM WAS WONDERING IF--
OKAY, LATER, THEN--!
THE BOLIVIAN--!
IT'S ALREADY TAKEN CARE OF. YES. THANKS.
SORRY ABOUT THAT.
WHAT'S GOT YOU SO WORKED UP, AGENT KILGORE?
THERE WAS A TEST SUBJECT OF SHILLINGER'S, A WOMAN. SHE KNEW ABOUT KURT AND I... IT WAS ALMOST LIKE SHE COULD SEE HIM.
I DON'T THINK WE EVER TOLD YOU THIS... SHE WAS THE ONE WHO EXPLAINED WHAT WE WERE, CALLED US A "HAUNT", SOMETHING ABOUT US BEING BOUND TOGETHER, ME KEEPING KURT ON THIS PLANE OF EXISTENCE...
I NEED TO FIND HER, DIRECTOR TOSH. I HAVE TO TALK TO HER.
MOST OF SHILLINGER'S TEST SUBJECTS WERE SENT BACK TO BOLIVIA. WE'VE BUILT SOME SHELTERS THERE AND ARE TREATING THEM.
LEARNING WHAT WE CAN FROM THEM IN THE PROCESS, OF COURSE.
I DONT KNOW IF I'LL BE ABLE TO FIND--
THERE! THAT'S HER.
OH, OKAY, THAT'S HER THEN?
ALEGRIA.

WHERE IS SHE NOW?
TURNS OUT SHE D.DN'T WANT TO GO BACK TO BOLIVIA. PUT UP QUITE A F GHT... SO SHE'S HERE IN THE CITY SOMEWHERE.
WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH HER?
WELL, THERE'S SOMETHING AFTER ME--JS--WELL, KURT, MOSTLY. SOMETHING SUPERNATURAL--IT ATTACKED US. MIGHT BE GONE, BUT I'D L KE TO AT LEAST KNOW WHAT IT IS. FIGURED SHE MIGHT KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT IT.
SPEAK NG OF KURT AND MY MAGIC SJ T... JUST HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE SUPPOSED TO KNOW MY SPECIAL UNIFORM IS ACTUALLY, SUPER-AGENT, AND RECENTLY DECEASED KURT KILGORE?
I HAD A HELL OF A TIME EXPLAINING WHAT HAPPENED DURING THE M.SSION.
THAT INFORMATION IS G VEN OUT ON A NEED TO KNOW BASIS. I'M NOT TRYING TO GET COMMITTED, YOU UNDERSTAND?
LET'S TRY AND KEEP IT TO THE FEW PEOPLE WHO ALREADY KNOW.
YEAH, MAKES SENSE.
SO...
...ANY IDEAS ON HOW TO FIND THIS ALEGRIA?

SEEN HER AROUND?
AS MUCH AS I'D LIKE TO, NO.
SADLY.
GET A LOT AROUND HERE... HARD TO REMEMBER EACH FACE...
WOULDA REMEMBERED HER.
JESUS SAVES
I JUST WANT TO TALK TO HER, SHE KNOWS ME... SHE'D WANT TO TALK TO ME.
IF I'D SEEN HER, I'D TELL YOU. YOU TRY THE EIGHTH STREET MISSION? GET A LOT OF WOMEN AT THAT ONE.
SORRY I AIN'T MORE HELP.
SOUP KITCHEN
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHU
SOUP KITCH
WEEKDAYS: 10:00am
SATURDAY: 10:00am
SUNDAY: 11:30am
St. Ma
Outreach Center
JESUS SAVES
The Soup Kitchen

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR HELP ON THIS ONE, KURT.
I MEAN, I KNOW THAT FIGHT TOOK A LOT OUT OF YOU--BUT I DIDN'T FIGURE YOU'D BE SITTING ALL THIS OUT.
DAMN IT.
WHAT WAS THAT ADDRESS?
STUPID PHONE...

I HEAR YOU ARE LOOKING FOR ME?
YOU'RE UH... LOOKING BETTER.
I'VE GOT A UM... SITUATION I WAS HOPING YOU COULD HELP WITH.
YOU HAVE BUT TO ASK.
GREAT! COME WITH ME.

AUTUMN, HEY--I DIDN'T KNOW YOU'D BE HOME.
UH... WHO IS SHE?
YEAH, HER--WELL, THIS IS--
I AM KNOWN AS ALEGRIA.
YOU ARE VERY BEAUTIFUL.
LISTEN, I WAS GOING TO THE GROCERY STORE, YOU AND HER, HERE ALONE... THAT SOMETHING I NEED TO WORRY ABOUT?
NO WAY... IT'S A WORK THING, I'LL EXPLAIN LATER.
YOU FOUND HER.
YEAH, YOU'RE WELCOME.
LISTEN, ALEGRIA--KURT'S HERE NOW, MY BROTHER, THE UH... HAUNT.
YOU ARE BOTH HAUNT.
YEAH, UH... THING IS, THERE'S THIS, UH... BIG THING THAT ATTACKED US. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT IT WAS BUT--
AAAIIEEE!
DANIEL--

WHAT?!
WHAT IS—
JESUS...
IT'S BACK, ISN'T IT?